Start your video experience and/or trip to the beautiful Ottawa National Forest by watching:

**WELCOME TO THE OTTAWA!!**
Gather information about the beautiful, nearly one million acres Ottawa National Forest. Explore opportunities around you.

17 minutes

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**ANIMALS**

**BEARS**

# 1. Bears, Imax DVD
Investigate the world of bears as you learn about black bears, polar bears, and grizzlies.

130 minutes

# 2. Bears of Michigan
View up close encounters with black bears -- including research.

30 minutes

# 3. The All American Black Bear (NOVA)

60 minutes

# 127. Bear
Explore the nature and legends surrounding bears.

35 minutes

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**DEER**

# 4. Whitetails of Michigan
Explore the glory of the legendary whitetail deer of Michigan.

40 minutes

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**WOLVES**

# 5. Michigan Grey Wolf, Ghost of the Big Timber
A historical look at the controversial uniqueness of Michigan’s grey wolf.

43 minutes

# 6. Timber Wolf
Learn about the interesting life of the mighty timber wolf.

60 minutes

# 7. Wolf (Robert Redford narrates)
Take a closer look at the myths and realities surrounding wolves.

30 minutes

# 8. Wolves
Take a closer look at the myths and legends of the wolf.

50 minutes

# 9. Wolves: Return of Legend
Explore the myths and legends of the wolf.

50 minutes

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ANIMALS (continued)

MAMMALS

# 11. Wisconsin Small mammals
Learn about the nature and lifestyles of Wisconsin’s small mammals including the fox, otter, cottontail rabbit, lynx, raccoon, porcupine and fisher.
35 minutes

# 152. Mammals
Learn the most amazing facts and folklore about our favorite furry animals. Meet the creatures that make up this huge and varied family.
25 minutes

# 16. Bats, The True Story
The true story behind these often misunderstood, yet beneficial animals.
35 minutes

# 134. Battle for Bats: Surviving White-Nose Syndrome
Discover our fascinating bats and the devastating disease that threatens their existence.
14 minutes

ANIMALS – MISCELLANEOUS

# 146. Amphibian
Investigate the double life of creatures that live both on land and in water.
25 minutes

# 149. Reptile
The alien world of these creatures is often misunderstood, but the facts are sometimes stranger than fiction.
25 minutes

# 147. Fish
Plunge deep into the waters of the world to discover some of the most exotic creatures in nature.
52 minutes

# 12. Tracking Animals in the Snow
Learn how to identify animals by looking at their prints in the snow.
53 minutes

# 97. Endangered Animals
Gather insight on endangered animals and the folklores surrounding them.
30 minutes

# 98. Nighttime Animals
Discover the hidden world of night time animals.
30 minutes

INSECTS

# 13. Dragonflies and Damselflies
Get a close-up glimpse into the fascinating and bizarre lives of the Eastern North American dragonflies and damselflies.
40 minutes
ANIMALS (continued)

INSECTS (continued)

# 137. Insects
Macro photography and 3-D graphics allow us to examine the ignored world of insects.
25 minutes

# 14. On the Wings of the Monarch
An in-depth look at the life cycle, habitat, and migration of the Monarch Butterfly.
47 minutes

# 15. The Incredible Journey of the Butterflies (PBS)
Fly along with the Monarch Butterflies as they journey through North America and Mexico. Explore the places they call home and meet the dangers they encounter along the way.
56 minutes

# 133. The Butterflies of Michigan
An introduction to 40 butterfly species that live in Michigan.
25 minutes

# 136. Butterfly and Moth
Take flight of fancy with nature’s most beguiling creatures. See their miraculous transformation from lowly caterpillar to airborne adult. Learn why these delicate insects have long inspired and entranced us.
25 minutes

# 128. Eyewitness Flight
A combined story of manned flight and nature’s great fliers from insects to birds.
35 minutes

# 96. Creepy Crawly Animals
Get up close with insects and other creepy, crawly animals!
30 minutes

BIRDS

# 139. Bird
Soar through the sky and around the world in an exciting journey from the bird’s distant dinosaur past to its present astonishing variety.
25 minutes

# 23. Birds of Prey
Follow eagles, hawks, and owls as they hunt their prey and interact with the animals around them.
17 minutes

# 27. Blue Birds, Bring Them Back
Learn about the endangered Eastern Blue Bird.
20 minutes

# 32. Hooked on Hummingbirds
Spectacular footage of hummingbirds and other birds filmed in slow motion.
53 minutes
# 141. Loons

The story of one family of common loons from their arrival on their nesting island to the day they lead their chicks away.  
31 minutes

# 25. Loons on Golden Pond

Travel with a pair of loons as they court, bathe, dive, hunt, incubate and protect their chicks. Watch as the chicks grow, learn to swim, and eventually fly.  
60 minutes

# 26. Kirtland’s Warbler

Follow the rare bird as it lives in the jack pine ecosystem. Since this video was created, the Kirtland’s Warbler has been found nesting on the Ottawa National Forest.  
15 minutes

# 22. Northern Forest Owls

Featuring narration and still photos on Northern forest owls, including the Barred Owl and the Great Horned Owl.  
19 minutes

# 28. Spring and Summer Songbirds of the Backyard

Catch an intimate glimpse of bird life in a typical suburban backyard.  
60 minutes

# 29. Summer Birds of Wisconsin

Watch as ducks, woodpeckers, raptors, and perching birds live in their natural habitats.  
22 minutes

# 30. Watching Birds

Peterson Guide -- Introduction to joys of bird watching. The sights and sounds of 52 common backyard birds are included.  
60 minutes

# 31. Winged Migration

Fly alongside, above, below and in front of a variety of birds as they migrate through 40 countries and 7 continents.  
89 minutes

# 17. Eagles

Watch a family of bald eagles as they change with the seasons.  
40 minutes

# 18. Michigan Bald Eagle

Dig deep into the history and details of Michigan bald eagle research.  
19 minutes

# 19. The Bald Eagle Flying High

Watch researchers try to unravel the mystery of an Apostle Island bald eagle problem.  
30 minutes
ANIMALS (continued)

BIRDS (continued)

# 20. Spirit of the Eagle
Discover bald eagles as they hunt prey, raise their young, and soar across the sky.
30 minutes

# 21. Trip to Eagle's Nest
Observe researchers as they measure and record bald eagles directly from the nest.
9 minutes

PLANTS AND FOREST ECOLOGY

# 143. Plant
Which plant germinates after 6,000 years of sleep? Which ocean forests are as big as the largest forest on land? Take a colorful tour of the world's most dazzling flora.

# 33. Seasonal Wild Flowers of the Eastern Forest Service
Learn about colorful wildflowers in spring, summer, and fall.
1. Spring 100 flowers 52 minutes
2. Summer 80 flowers 49 minutes
3. Fall 80 flowers 49 minutes

# 34. Seasons in the Woodlands
Explore the woodlands of the Eastern half of the United States and the lower half of the Canadian Provinces – spring to spring.
21 minutes

# 35. Forest Ecology and Wilderness
Instructional video including 3 parts – an introduction to urban ecological systems.
21 minutes

# 36. Ecosystem Management
Researches the ideas of conservation, preservation, and land management philosophies, and how humans have affected the environment.
18 minutes

# 37. Global Warming: Signs and Science
Travel across America to hear people's stories about climate change. Learn how human activities are provoking an unprecedented era of atmospheric warming and climate change.
60 minutes

SILVANIA WILDERNESS, WILDERNESS INFORMATION, & LEAVE NO TRACE

# 38. Sylvania Orientation – 2011
A friendly reminder of the wilderness rules and regulations that you must follow when entering the Sylvania Wilderness so that it is preserved for future generations. The history of Sylvania is included.
6.5 minutes

# 45a. Welcome to Sylvania
Visit the special place where humanity can learn to appreciate the Wilderness.
6 minutes
SILVANIA WILDERNESS, WILDERNESS INFORMATION, & LEAVE NO TRACE (continued)

# 40. Sylvania Bass Fishing
Join two gentlemen as they fish for record size Small Mouth Bass in Sylvania.
30 minutes

# 41. Wilderness Wildlife
Travel to sub-arctic regions and remote wildernesses to see moose, fox, deer, and bison in their natural habitats.
50 minutes

# 42. Keeping Wildlife Wild
Learn tips on how to avoid unwanted human/wildlife encounters while hiking, camping, viewing, or photographing animals.
9 minutes

# 43. Are You Wilderness Wise?
Information on the Boundary Waters Canoe Area.
20 minutes

# 44. Horse Sense
A guide to minimum impact horse camping, packing and backcountry travel.
60 minutes

# 45. Ghost Riders: Leave No Trace
Banff National Forest backcountry user guide and horse rider’s ethics: Leave No Trace.
37 minutes

# 46. Soft Paths
Learn how to enjoy the wilderness without leaving lasting impacts.
31 minutes

# 153. Forever Wild (Robert Redford)
Celebrate America’s wilderness and how the splendor and tremendous values of one of its greatest treasures are portrayed.
57 minutes

INVASIVE SPECIES

# 47. Emerald Ash Borer: The Green Menace
An informational news program on the exotic Emerald Ash Borer and how to stop the spread!
38 minutes

# 48. Stop Exotics – Clean Your Boat!!!
Learn the proper way to clean your boat to help limit the spread of invasive species.
11 minutes

# 49. Playing Smart Against Invasive Species
Learn how to enjoy and protect the outdoors through preventing the spread of invasive species.
Full length version: 27 minutes
Short version: 17 minutes
INVASIVE SPECIES (continued)

# 50. Defending Favorite Places
Calling on all hunters and anglers to stop the spread of harmful invasive species!

Full length version: 27 minutes
Short version: 15 minutes

# 154. Silent Invaders
1. Sea Lamprey
2. Zebra Mussels
3. Asian Carp
4. Gobies
5. St. Lawrence Seaway
6. Lake Michigan
7. Milfoil
8. Public Service Announcements

30 minutes each

FIRE

# 51. Smokey's Fire Tips
Smokey tells you about the dangers of playing with matches in the woods.

9 minutes

# 52. Cold Missouri Waters
A musical presentation by the U.S. Forest Service’s “Fiddlin’ Foresters”. The story of the first major firefighting tragedy experienced by the U.S. Forest Service Smoke Jumpers – thirteen firefighters died, burned over in a flash fire storm.

15 minutes

# 53. Fires on the Mountain
Examine the true story of the South Canyon fire where fourteen firefighters lost their lives.

90 minutes

# 54. Yellowstone Aflame

53 minutes

LOCATIONS

# 55. Clear Waters, Sculptured Stone – Pictured Rocks
Experience the beautiful wonders of the clear waters and sandstone cliffs of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore.

30 minutes

# 57. Lake Superior
Learn the natural history of Lake Superior, the largest freshwater lake in the world!

10 minutes
LOCATIONS (continued)

# 58. Magical Straits of Mackinac
View the beauty of Mackinac Island, Mackinac Bridge, and St. Ignace.
30 minutes

# 104. Alaska, Spirit of the Wild
Few places on earth impose greater survival challenges and the conflict between climate and life than Alaska.
40 minutes

# 160. The Meaning of Wild
Take a journey to one of our nation’s wildest landscapes, the Tongass National Forest of Southeast Alaska.
30 minutes

# 145. Arctic and Antarctic
Explore the life and legends of the polar kingdoms.
25 minutes

HISTORIC

# 60. Camp Forgotten
Historic information on the Civilian Conservation Corps and camps in Michigan.
58 minutes

# 61. Enemy in Our Midst
Learn about the Nazi POW camps that were located in the Upper Peninsula.
177 minutes

# 62. Smokey Bear 50th Anniversary
Look at everything Smokey did leading up to his rewarding 50th year.
20 minutes

# 63. Historical Fire Prevention Films
Check out several old Smokey Bear public announcements.
18 minutes

# 64. The History of Bergland/Matchwood Townships with the Ottawa National Forest
Take a visual tour while listening to some peppy music. Take a trip back in time.
15 minutes
# 65. The Greatest Good – Disc One

   In an area of unchecked exploration, a new breed of leaders emerge with radical ideas about using the nation’s resources for the benefit of all.

B. **Part 2. Building the System (1911 – 1940)**
   The Forest Service invents the tools and policies to manage public lands. Firefighting and outdoor recreation emerge as important functions of the agency.

   World War II transforms the nation. The Forest Service shifts into full production to meet social needs.

   An outspoken public and a new understanding of how ecosystems shape a continually evolving vision for America’s public land.

**129 minutes in entirety**

# 66. The Greatest Good – Disc Two

Trailers and Music Videos
Views of the Forest Service
The Forest Service in TV, Radio and Film
About the Forest Service

**161 minutes in entirety**

# 67. The Greatest Good – Disc Three

Bonus Materials
Fire
Smokey Bear: Historical Material
History: Short Subjects
History: Out Takes

**152 minutes in entirety**

# 68. Wild By Law

The history of the establishment of public lands. Dinah Shore “See the USA in a Chevrolet”

**52 minutes**

# 69. Common Ground

Historical, logging, personal remembrances and historic photos. Changing values and National Forest management. Discusses multiple-use management.

**30 minutes**

**CULTURE AND FOLKLORE**

# 70. Finnish American Lives (M. Loukinen)

A moving portrait of traditional Finnish American culture in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

**60 minutes**
CULTURE AND FOLKLORE (continued)

# 71. Tradition Bearer (M. Loukinen)
The wonders of Finnish American history and folklore – a recorded, live interview of oral history including historical pictures.
47 minutes

# 72. Manoomin (Wild Rice) (M. Loukinen)
Showing the wild ricing traditions and the teaching of these traditions to Ojibwe children. Planting, rice-boat building, harvesting, parching, dancing, winnowing, cooking, and finally eating rice at a feast. This video includes the local LVD Band of Chippewa Indians.
1 hour 20 minutes

# 73. Medicine Fiddle (M. Loukinen)
A documentary on the history of the sound of the fiddle in the upper Midwest of North America including Native American culture.
81 minutes

# 74. The Last Parable – The Full Circle
Take a retrospective trip along the Missouri River and Montana as told by the grandson of an early homesteader.
29 minutes

# 75. Good Man in the Woods
Take a look at life through a logger, trapper, or a commercial fisherman’s eyes.
90 minutes

# 77. The Rise and Fall of the Great Lakes
Paddle along with a lone canoeist to learn about the history of the Great Lakes, especially about the Ice Age.
17 minutes


PEOPLE

# 78. Aldo Leopold
A biography of the author and environmentalist who played a key role in wilderness conservation.
63 minutes

# 79. Green Fire
Explore the life and legacy of famed conservationist, Aldo Leopold. View how his land ethic philosophy lives on through people throughout the country today.
73 minutes

# 80. Sigurd Olson
A biography of the writer and wilderness activist who spent his career fighting for Northwoods wilderness preservation.
28 minutes
PEOPLE (continued)

# 81. Pinchot Family Home Movies
Silent film showing Gifford Pinchot family.
7 minutes

# 82. To the South Seas – Pinchot Travel Films
Narrated home movie of south sea travel of Gifford Pinchot, the first Chief of the Forest Service.
17 minutes

# 83. Conservation Leaders
Portrayal through images and music that we are all responsible to conserve natural resources for the future of our public lands.
7 minutes

ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS

# 76. Stranger in the Woods
The story of two snow drifts who remember a time when a mysterious stranger came to visit.
A magical tale of animals reacting to a snowman that appears after a snowstorm.
40 minutes

# 84. Beyond the Backyard
Take a glance at the natural life beyond your home. Learn valuable tips and information for planning your first camping trip.
34 minutes

# 85. Kids Journey to Understanding Weeds
Follow a group of friends as they learn about weeds and how to stop spreading them.
9 minutes

# 86. Moose Tunes for Kids
Join the kids to watch moose in the wild while listening to their favorite moose tunes.
It’ll get your toes tapping!
35 minutes

# 87. Paddle to the Sea
Follow a young boy as he puts a homemade miniature canoe in Lake Superior. See where it ends up.
30 minutes

# 88. Recycle This!
Sing along with a rock and roll musical explaining the dangers of not recycling.
17 minutes
ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS (continued)

# 89. Smokey Bear Children’s Story
Explore the exciting story of Smokey Bear with the “old timer”, his animal friends and a Forest Ranger.
12 minutes

# 90. The Friendly Forest Club: Wolves
Join 16 year old Cori on an adventurous walk in the woods to discover the mighty wolf!
30 minutes

# 132. A Day in the Forest with Smokey Bear
The Smokey Bear Story – animated – best for very young children.
8 minutes

MISCELLANEOUS

# 10. Michigan Ice Age Mammals
Take a look at prehistoric animal remains found in Michigan.
18 minutes

# 99. Capitol Holiday Tree Lighting
A C-Span video featuring the 2001 Capitol Tree lighting – the tree came from the Ottawa!
35 minutes

# 100. Tree of Hope
Travel with the 2001 Tree of Hope as it is cut from here in Watersmeet and winds its way through the great state of Michigan, ending up in Washington D.C.
31 minutes

# 101. Lifelines: Your National Forest Roads
A U. S. Forest Service video exploring the relationship between people and land – past, present and future.
31 minutes

# 102. Safe Riders
Tips on how to snowmobile safely.
22 minutes

# 103. The Art of Interpretation
A National Park Service video on interpretation.
14 minutes

# 104. Alaska, Spirit of the Wild
Voyage into the Last Great Frontier, where nature enchants the eye with magnificent spectacles.
40 minutes
MISCELLANEOUS (continued)

# 105. Amazing Journeys
Explore the migration of the monarch butterfly, birds, humans, zebra, red crabs and whales.
40 minutes

# 106. Centennial Green
A musical performance created and performed by the Big Top Chautauqua. A portrait of the struggle to establish public lands and conservation ethics in the 19th Century. A history of the Forest Service commissioned to celebrate the centennial anniversary.
57 minutes

# 107. Earth, the Biography
Watch the detailed history of the earth, featuring breathtaking footage of the great forces that shaped the planet, volcanoes, the ocean atmosphere and the ice. **Total minutes = 230.**
   A. Disc One – **138 minutes**
   B. Disc Two – **92 minutes**

# 108. Journey into Amazing Caves
Suspense-filled expedition with a new breed of scientists who explore places once thought to be off limits to humans.
40 minutes

# 129. Pond and River
Take a twisting journey down the great rivers of the world, pausing to visit the thriving realm of the fresh water pond.
35 minutes

# 131. Weather
Why is the weather forecast so often wrong? Go on a whirlwind tour of Earth’s turbulent atmosphere.
35 minutes

# 144. Dinosaur
Takes you inside the world of paleontologists and the monsters they study.
35 minutes

# 150. Volcano
What creature could survive in a hot lava flow? This movie explores the myths surrounding Earth’s violent nature.
25 minutes

# 151. Rock and Mineral
Discover how rocks keep a constantly changing record of our planet’s fascinating history, and see how minerals are at the very core of our civilization.
25 minutes
MISCELLANEOUS (continued)

# 158. Skeleton
Go beneath the skin to reveal the hidden secrets of an incredible variety of skeletal structures.
25 minutes

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PLANET EARTH

# 109. 1 – From Pole to Pole
50 minutes

# 110. 2 – Mountains
50 minutes

# 111. 3 – Fresh Water
50 minutes

# 112. 4 – Caves
50 minutes

# 113. 5 – Deserts
50 minutes

# 114. 6 – Ice World
50 minutes

# 115. 7 – Great Plains
50 minutes

# 116. 8 – Jungles
50 minutes

# 117. 9 – Shallow Seas
50 minutes

# 118. 10 – Seasonal Forests
50 minutes

# 119. 11 – Ocean Deep
50 minutes
# 120. The Great Melt  
Arctic challenge to polar bears  
50 minutes

# 121. The Great Salmon Run  
Grizzly bears in British Columbia  
50 minutes

# 122. The Great Migration  
Migration of the Serengeti animals  
50 minutes

# 123. The Great Tide  
South African coast fish migration  
50 minutes

# 124. The Great Flood  
Annual flood of Bostwana’s Okavango Delta  
50 minutes

# 125. The Great Feast  
Annual plankton bloom in Alaska  
50 minutes
# 126. Amphibian
Leap into the fascinating world of frogs, toads and salamanders and get a look at the amazing variety of colors, shapes and sizes in the amphibian family.

35 minutes

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Explore how all life forms face a daily struggle for survival, whether prey or predator.

35 minutes

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57 minutes

We hope you have enjoyed our movies.
If you have any suggestions, please let us know.